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Community Services Division Offers ACA Counseling

ROCKFORD – Uninsured residents in Winnebago and Boone counties looking to enroll in the Affordable Care Act Health Insurance Marketplace can contact the Community Services Division of the City of Rockford Human Services Department where certified In-Person Counselors are helping residents navigate the on-line site to find health care coverage.

“We’re here to make sure community members know about the affordable health insurance options that are available, and to provide the information and assistance they need to sign up for the plan that is best for them,” explains Christopher Greenwood, Community Health and Prevention Coordinator for the City of Rockford Human Services Department, a Community Action Agency.

Under the Affordable Care Act, thousands of Illinoisans who were previously unable to get insurance can now get covered. All plans included in the Marketplace cover recommended preventive services free of charge, include a cap on out-of-pocket costs, have no lifetime or yearly dollar limit on coverage and will not reject anyone on the basis of pre-existing conditions.

Enrollment in the Marketplace ends March 31, 2014. Penalties will apply to those residents who do not have coverage.

Enrollment assistance is available by appointment only by calling 815-987-5502. The Community Services Division of the City of Rockford Human Services Department is located at the City Plaza, 555 N. Court St. Suite 301.

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